

REMARKS

Claims 21, 22, and 25-28 remain pending.

The specification has been amended to correct the informality noted in the Office Action.

The Examiner has rejected claims 21, 22 and 25-28 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claim 16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,826,697. The Terminal Disclaimer filed on February 25, 2005, a copy of which is enclosed herewith for the Examiner's convenience, is believed to overcome the rejection.

Applicant submitted duplicate Information Disclosure Statements on February 25, 2005 and March 9, 2005 and now requests these references be considered prior to allowance. A copy of the IDS and PTO/SB/08 as mailed March 9, 2005 are included for the Examiner's convenience.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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